NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH BLOCK MAP

All Neighborhood Watch groups are required to have block maps. The map is primarily for the benefit of members, but you must also send a copy to your division patrol officer to verify that you have complied with the requirement.

The purpose of the map is to encourage neighbors to get to know each other, and to make it possible to give important information about an emergency situation to the 9-1-1 Operators and Police Service Operators. The map should enable members to instantly locate and give the address where an incident is occurring, the direction a suspect leaving the area is travelling, and the names of the closest cross streets in that direction. In an emergency situation, many people cannot give this information from memory, making it more difficult for emergency personnel to respond quickly. A sample block map is shown here and a blank is printed on the reverse for your use. You may need to customize a map for your block. Each block should have a separate map, and each member should have a copy. The map should show:

- A directional marker indicating “North”
- Every address on the block
- The name and phone number of each member residence
- The name of the street and cross streets
- A reminder to keep the information hidden from strangers
- Anything else you think may help

The map should be kept simple, and easy to read and understand. In an emergency, your mind may not be able to comprehend complicated information or drawings.

Each member should tape the map inside a cabinet near a phone (usually the kitchen) so it is not readily visible to strangers, does not become lost, and is easily accessible in an emergency.

SAMPLE BLOCK MAP

4300-4400 BLOCK EAST EXAMPLE STREET

Maple Avenue

(Alleyway)

555-4311 555-4321 555-4331 555-4341 555-4351
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Apple Way

EXAMPLE STREET

555-4310 555-4320 555-4330 555-4340 555-4350
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(Alleyway)

Ocean Boulevard

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